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Amendment B (reformatted)

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Madam:

In response to the office Letter mailed February 25, 2002, the applicants are reformatting our prior Amendment B submission to be compliant with 37 CFR 1.121(b)(1):

Specification:

Because of the extensive number of changes, the specification has been printed in full below, which incorporates changes in Amendments A and B:

The invention provides both interactive and preprogrammed timing for sports games, and for voice and other announcements when specified times occur. While the invention can be used with many games, such as football and street hockey, basketball will often be used as a concrete example

Referring to the drawings, wherein the same reference numerals indicate like elements throughout the several figures, there is shown in Fig 1 a functional schematic block diagram of a preferred embodiment of a processor-based timer-speaker system 10 which operates in accordance with the methods of the present invention. In the presently preferred embodiment, system 10 includes a controller or processor 12 which controls the timing, visual and audio outputs, and other functions.